

To date, the Department has not deemed it necessary and appropriate to prescribe the regulations contemplated by section 7. Recently, however, it has been suggested that the State Department should prescribe such regulations due to the potential impact of increased U.S. tourism to Antarctica. The purpose of this meeting is to seek the views of the Advisory Committee concerning whether, in light of increased U.S. tourism, section 7 regulations are now appropriate.

This session will be open to the public. The public will be admitted to the session to the limits of seating capacity and will be given the opportunity to participate in discussion according to the instructions of the Chairman. As access to the Department of State is controlled, persons wishing to attend the meeting should enter the Department through the Diplomatic ("C" Street) Entrance.

Requests for further information on the meetings or for advance clearance to enter the building, should be directed to R. Tucker Scully of OES/OA, room 5801, Department of State. He may be reached by telephone on (202) 647-3262.

Dated: June 15, 1990.

Richard J.K. Stratford,  
Acting Chairman.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Office of Hearings

[Docket No. 46760]

#### Discovery Airways, Inc. and Mr. Philip Ho; Order Deferring Hearing

The hearing on this matter scheduled to begin on June 28, 1990, at 10 a.m., in room 5332, 400-7th Street SW., Washington, DC 20590 is postponed until further order.

Dated at Washington, DC, June 25, 1990.

Ronnie A. Yoder,  
Administrative Law Judge.

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## Federal Highway Administration

### Environmental Impact Statement: City of Lincoln, Placer County, CA

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that an environmental impact statement will be

prepared for a proposed highway project in Placer County, California.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

John R. Schultz, District Engineer,  
Federal Highway Administration, P.O.  
1915, Sacramento, California 95812-1915,  
Telephone: (916) 551-1140.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) on a proposal to construct a State Route 65 bypass of the City of Lincoln and the Community of Sheridan in Placer County.

The proposal will improve local and interregional traffic circulation and safety by providing a bypass facility that will remove State highway traffic from the business district of Lincoln, and an at-grade railroad crossing in Sheridan. The ultimate four-lane freeway will be from 5.3 to 12.0 miles in length depending on the selected alternative.

Alternatives for this project presently consist of: (1) No project, and (2) constructing one of four bypass alignment alternatives.

An informal public informational meeting was held in Lincoln on May 1, 1990 to discuss the project with local citizens and interested parties and to identify any concerns or issues.

Additional scoping meetings will be arranged with all responsible/cooperating agencies and with special interest groups upon request. In addition at the time of draft EIS circulation, a public hearing will be held. Public notice will be given as to the time and place of the hearing.

To ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposed action are addressed and all significant issues are identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. Comments or questions concerning this proposed action and the EIS should be directed to the FHWA at the address previously provided in this document.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Research, Planning, and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation of Federal Programs and activities apply to this program.)

Issued on: June 20, 1990.

C. Glenn Clinton,

District Engineer, Sacramento, California.

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## National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[Docket No. 90-IP-12-NO. 1]

### Mazda Research & Development of North America, Inc.; Receipt of Petition for Determination of Inconsequential Noncompliance

Mazda Research & Development of North America, Inc. (Mazda), of Ann Arbor, Michigan, has petitioned to be exempted from the notification and remedy requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act (15 U.S.C. 1381 *et seq.*) for an apparent noncompliance with 49 CFR 571.120, Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 120, "Tire Selection and Rims for Motor Vehicles Other Than Passenger Cars," on the basis that it is inconsequential as it relates to motor vehicle safety.

This notice of receipt of a petition is published under Section 157 of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act (15 U.S.C. 1417) and does not represent any agency decision or other exercise of judgement concerning the merits of the petition.

Paragraph S5.1.2 of Standard No. 120 states that:

Except in the case of a vehicle which has a speed attainable in 2 miles of 50 mph or less, the sum of the maximum load ratings of the tires fitted to an axle shall be not less than the gross axle weight rating (GAWR) of the axle system as specified on the vehicle's certification label required by 49 CFR part 567. If the certification label shows more than one GAWR for the axle system, the sum shall be not less than the GAWR corresponding to the size designation of the tires fitted to the axle. If the size designation of the tires fitted to the axle does not appear on the certification label, the sum shall be not less than the lowest GAWR appearing on the label. When a tire listed in appendix A of Standard No. 109 is installed on a multipurpose passenger vehicle, truck, bus, or trailer, the tire's load rating shall be reduced by dividing by 1.10 before calculating the sum.

Mazda produced 14,607 B2200 and B2600i (4x2) models which do not comply with Paragraph S5.1.2. These vehicles were produced between September 7, 1989 and May 25, 1990 and were equipped with tire placards bearing the incorrect English equivalent (as opposed to metric) cold inflation pressure information. The correct English equivalent cold inflation pressure is 35 psi; the inflation pressure listed on these placards is 34 psi. Therefore, the load rating on these tires is reduced by dividing by 1.096 before calculating the sum instead of being reduced by dividing by 1.10. Mazda

## NOTICE OF PREPARATION

TO:

FROM: Caltrans, District 3  
P. O. Box 911  
Marysville, CA 95901

SUBJECT: Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact  
Report/Statement {References: Division 13, Public Resources Code,  
Section 21080.4 (State); 40 C.F.R. 1501.7 and 1508.22 (Federal)}

This is to inform you that the California Department of Transportation in cooperation with the FHWA will be the Lead Agency and will prepare an EIR/EIS for the project described below. Your participation as a responsible/cooperating agency is requested in the preparation and review of this document.

We need to know the applicable permit and environmental review requirements of your agency and the scope and content of the environmental information which is germane to your agency's statutory responsibilities in connection with the proposed project. Your agency will need to use the EIR/EIS prepared by our agency when considering your permit or other approval for the project.

The project proposes relocating State Route 65 on new right-of-way around the City of Lincoln and, depending on the alternative ultimately selected, the unincorporated community of Sheridan. Alternatives being considered include the "do nothing" alternative and three basic corridors bypassing Lincoln on the west side. One of these would reconnect with Route 65 just north of town. It is 5.3 miles long. The other two would generally parallel the existing highway, bypassing Sheridan on the west and reconnecting with Route 65 between Sheridan and the Bear River. These alternatives are 12.0 miles in length. Right of Way would provide for a four lane freeway. Construction may be staged however, initially constructing four lanes to the northern limits of Lincoln and continuing to Sheridan with a two lane expressway.

The project will improve local and interregional traffic flow and improve safety by reducing congestion in Lincoln's downtown business district. An at-grade railroad crossing would be eliminated at Sheridan if either of those two alternatives are selected.

Environmental effects would be: impacts to vernal pools/wetlands; removal of riparian vegetation and wildlife habitat; possible short term impacts to fisheries during bridge construction; possible increases in noise levels; possible water quality impacts associated with soil disturbance and bridge construction; potential impacts to cultural resources; and possible residence relocations.

An informal public meeting was held in Lincoln on May 1, 1990 to introduce the project to local citizens and identify any issues or concerns they might have. Additional meetings will be held as the project progresses to encourage affected parties to point out important issues, ensuring that such concerns are not overlooked.

Due to the time limits mandated by State law, your response must be sent at the earliest possible date but not later than 30 days after receipt of this notice.

Please send your response and direct any comments or questions regarding this project to Ms. Jean L. Baker at the address shown above (telephone (916) 741-4498). We will need the name for a contact person in your agency.

Date:

June 15, 1990

Signature:

Brian J. Smith  
Brian J. Smith

Title:

Deputy District Director  
Planning & Public Transportation